ABSTRACT

An electrical connector (100) includes a unitary insulative housing (1) including a base (10) defining a number of parallel slots (13) and a first shroud (11) extending forwardly from the base, a number of parallelly arranged circuit board modules (3) and a metal stiffener (2) attached to the housing. The circuit board modules are retained by and between the metal stiffener and the housing. Each circuit board module includes a dielectric spacer (30), a circuit board (36) attached to the dielectric spacer and received in a corresponding slot of the housing, and a row of press-fit contacts (38) mechanically and electrically connecting with the circuit board. The metal stiffener includes a second shroud (201) vertically spaced from the first shroud. The circuit boards have mating portions (362) disposed between the first and the second shrouds.